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REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

The drawings have been objected to as not showing all features claimed. Additional figures are submitted showing in graphical form the matter as disclosed and claimed at filing.

Claims 1 and 2 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as being clearly anticipated by Bretmersky et al '092. It is respectfully submitted that the claims as submitted patentably distinguish over the rejection of record. Bretmersky shows a flow control system similar to that over which Applicant's invention improves. While Bretmersky may adjust the slope of his curve, he does not vary both segments as claimed and indeed will always start at the 0-0 point.

Claim 2 stood rejected under 35 U.S.C. §112, first paragraph as failing to comply with the enablement requirement. It is respectfully submitted that the specification as filed fully complies. Specifically, page 2, lines 14-17 and page 4, lines 6-11 enable the matter claimed in original claim 2 which has been included in amended claim 1. Note that original Figure 1 shows that each segment has separate endpoints whereas simple computation of a single slope would always have the start point of the line at 0-0. Applicant respectfully requests that a timely Notice of Allowance be issued in this case.

Respectfully submitted,



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Amendments to the Drawings:

The attached sheets of drawings includes additional Figs.2 and 3.

Attachment: Additional Sheets